

Title (en)

METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF STEAM IN A STEAM REFORMING PLANT

Title (de)

VERFAHREN ZUR DAMPFERZEUGUNG IN EINER DAMPFREFORMIERUNGSANLAGE

Title (fr)

PROCÉDÉ DE PRODUCTION DE VAPEUR D'EAU DANS UNE INSTALLATION DE REFORMAGE À LA VAPEUR

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Abstract (en)

A method for improving thermal efficiency of steam production in a steam reforming based syngas plant is provided. In one embodiment, the method can include the steps of: preheating a hydrocarbon feed stream in a first heat exchanger from a first temperature to a second temperature; preheating the hydrocarbon feed stream in a second heat exchanger to a third temperature, wherein the third temperature is greater than the second temperature; introducing the hydrocarbon feed stream in the presence of steam to a steam methane reformer under conditions effective for producing a product stream comprising hydrogen, carbon oxides, and water vapor; and exchanging heat between the product stream and a boiler feed water stream in a third heat exchanger, wherein prior to exchanging heat with the product stream, the boiler feed water stream is used to provide the preheating to the hydrocarbon feed stream in the first heat exchanger.

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